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1. ☒ The amendment filed on 22 May 2009 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

a) ☐ entered.

b) ☐ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.

c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.

d) ☐ disapproved. See explanation below.

e) ☒ entered in part. See explanation below.

The amendments to the specification are entered. The amendments to claim 1 are NOT entered. In the amendments filed 3/27/07, "adapted" was changed to "located" and in the amendments filed 6/8/07 "located" was deleted. Adapted changes the valve actuator to a functional limitation significantly broadening the scope of the claims. The amendments to claims 21 and 25 would be accepted if presented separately.

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